

**THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY OF THE CIVIL CITY OF NEW ALBANY, INDIANA, HELD ITS REGULAR MEETING ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2006 IN THE ASSEMBLY ROOM ON THE THIRD FLOOR OF THE CITY-COUNTY BUILDING.**

**PRESENT:** Anthony B. Toran, President, Chas Hunter, Matt Denison, Chief of Police Merl Harl, Traffic Division Supervisor Officer Joe Lewis, Fire Chief Ron Toran, Deputy Fire Chief Stanley Mason, Street Dept Director Chuck Simons, City Clerk Marcey Wisman, Flood Control Director Ron Granger, Building Commissioner Ron Hartman, Controller Kay Garry, and Animal Shelter Director David Hall.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

**Mr. Toran called the meeting to order at 10:00 p.m.**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Item #2 - Dr. Tom Meyers re: stop light at Floyd Memorial and parking**

**Dr. Meyers** handed out a memo regarding the parking issues for his dental office located at 1801 State Street. He gave a history of his dental office and explained that they see several elderly and handicap patients and their ramp is on the State Street side of the building. He stated that he was never approached by the hospital or their engineers about the plan to eliminate on street parking on State Street at Cottom and he believes that this could ruin his business.

**Mr. Toran** stated that the board would be hearing from the engineers working on this and that they would take his concerns in consideration.

**Item #3 - Marcey Wisman re: repainting Harvest Homecoming lot.**

**Ms. Wisman** stated that the Harvest Homecoming lot on Pearl Street needs to have the lines and numbers repainted and that it would be really nice to have some of the holes fixed as well.

**Mr. Toran** asked Mr. Simons to look into this.

**Item #4 - Robert Haynes re: solicitor's permit**

**Ms. Wisman** reported that Mr. Haynes has come to her office several times asking about a solicitor's permit. He goes door to door looking for odd jobs and has been told by the police department that he needs one.

**Officer Bailey** recommended that he not be given one due to being a suspect in several burglaries.

**Item #1 - Tom Schellenberg, Jacobi, Toombs & Lanz re: State Street stripping configuration.**

**Mr. Schellenberg** came in late and explained what would be the safest road set up for the area in front of the hospital.

**There was a lengthy discussion regarding the parking issue on State and Cottom and the concerns of the small businesses in the area.**

**Officer Lewis** gave the options that they leave the on street parking on the west side of State Street and make Cottom Avenue one-way going west.

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**Corporal Bailey** made the suggestion that they take the grassy area between the street and the sidewalk to allow for parking.

**Mr. Toran** asked Mr. Schellenberg to look into these options and the cost.

**There was a lengthy discussion regarding the additional costs that could occur using these options.**

**Mr. Toran** asked Mr. King if the City needed to sit down with the hospital to have a discussion about this issue.

**Mr. King** stated that the hospital does not want to eliminate on-street parking they just want to make the intersection safer.

**Mr. Schellenberg** stated that because the power lines run along the west side of the street and that it would be best to widen the hospital side of the street.

**Mr. Toran** set a committee with himself, Mrs. Garry, Officer Lewis and Corporal Bailey to meet with the hospital and he asked Dr. Myers and Mr. McCullum to be included.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### **Item #1 - Greg Fifer re: Wolfe Trace right-of-way dedication from New Albany Housing Authority**

**Mr. Fifer** pointed out that this triangle of property meets conditions to be a road way and that they are just trying to clear up the stipulations placed on them by the HUD office in Indianapolis.

**Mr. Adams** explained that the HUD office is holding this on their desk until the City makes a decision on this issue.

**Mr. Toran** stated that Mr. Gibson asked to table this until next week.

#### **Item #2 - Ray Schmidt, Skysign re: approval to move sign for Wabash Optical**

**Gary Posgrove** from Skysign presented a diagram showing the sign moved back so that it does not hang over the right of way.

**Mr. Hunter moved to approve, Mr. Denison second, all voted in favor.**

#### **Item #3 - Ron Hartman re: 522 and 524 E. 8<sup>th</sup> Street**

**Mr. Hartman** reported that he has contacted the owner of these properties and he informed him that these problems would be taken care of as soon as possible.

### **COMMUNICATIONS - CITY OFFICIALS:**

**Joe Lewis** reported that Barbara Dillman would like no parking signs by her driveway where she has an overhead door. He recommended that she put up a sign stating "Do not block" and that the City paint the line yellow.

**Mr. Denison moved to approve, Mr. Hunter second, all voted in favor.**

**Officer Lewis** reported that he had a request for a street light at 15<sup>th</sup> and Oak Street. He stated that there are currently three lights in this neighborhood which is standard.

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**Officer Lewis** stated that he received a call from Cleta Condon on Rainbow Drive informing him that she had her mailbox stolen and she requested a street light. When he went out there are no lights on the street and he believes there are suppose to be three according to ordinance.

**Officer Lewis** also reported that Dennis Falk called him and was concerned about the Kroger's trucks that are using Mt. Tabor and requested that a sign for "No Thru Trucks" be installed on each end of the street.

**Mr. Denison moved to approve, Mr. Hunter second, all voted in favor.**

**Mr. Toran** asked Mr. Simons to look into a request made by EMC for three "no parking" signs on 10<sup>th</sup> street along the flood wall because the trucks have to pull over so that one can fit through the flood wall.

**There was a lengthy discussion regarding whether or not this is necessary.**

**Mr. Toran** asked Mr. Simons to check this out.

**Deputy Chief Mason** stated that the barricades on Spring Street Hill have been moved for traffic again. He believes that there needs to be concrete barricades.

**Mr. Toran** asked Mr. Simons to look into this.

**COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC:**

**BIDS:**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**The board will approve the September 5 minutes at the next meeting.**

**ADJOURN:**

**There being no further business to go before the board, the meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

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**Anthony B. Toran, President  
Board of Public Works & Safety**

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**Marcey Wisman, City Clerk  
Civil City of New Albany, Indiana**

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